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TO : BLC
FROM : Attn: Mr. []
Acting Chief, FBI
SUBJECT: State Department Interest In Martin BORMANN

DATE: 24 June 1948

1. A copy of Buenos Aires Embassy Despatch No. 377 indicates that State Department's instruction No. 100 of 26 April 1948 requested Embassy officials at Buenos Aires to make appropriate investigation of a report to the effect that Martin BORMANN, German war criminal and friend of Hitler alleged to be still at large, may be residing in Argentina.

2. Mr. Henry Dearborn of the Argentine Desk at the Department of State has informally told [] of this Branch that he has no interest in BORMANN and did not originate Department instruction No. 100. He believes that FC has possibly made the request of the Embassy.

3. In view of the fact that for more than a year this Branch has had an interest in Martin BORMANN, it would be appreciated if you could determine from Mr. Neal what the interest of FC in subject actually is. Specifically, what action would State take if BORMANN's whereabouts could be detected? What U.S. or Allied officials or agencies are interested in his apprehension and would be willing to take steps to bring him to trial? What has created interest enough in BORMANN at State (or some other branch of our Government) at this point to prompt the recent forwarding of instruction No. 100 to Buenos Aires?

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